

REMARKS

Preliminary Matters:

Applicants thank the Examiner for acknowledging Applicants' claim to priority and receipt of the priority documents. Further, it is noted with appreciation that the Examiner has considered the references cited in the Information Disclosure Statement filed on July 21, 2006. Finally, Applicants thank the Examiner for accepting the drawings filed concurrently with the application.

Disposition of Claims:

Claims 1-37 are all the claims pending in the application. Of these claims, claims 1-13, 16, 17, 20-34, 36 and 37 are rejected; claims 18, 19 and 35 are allowed and claims 14 and 15 are objected to.

Remarks:

Applicants have cancelled claims 1-13, 16-17, 20-34, 36 and 37 and amended allowable claim 14 to be in independent form. Claims 18 and 35 have been amended to correct typographical errors. It is therefore respectfully requested that this application be passed to issuance at the earliest possible convenience.

Conclusion:

In view of the above, reconsideration and allowance of this application are now believed to be in order, and such actions are hereby solicited. If any points remain in issue which the Examiner feels may be best resolved through a personal or telephone interview, the Examiner is kindly requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account.

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